

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

1 The invention relates to an improved method of
2 and to an improved apparatus for detecting and correcting
3 unsatisfactory patterns of adhesive which is applied to
4 a running web of paper or the like in a tobacco
5 processing machine by a cyclically operated paster. A
6 linear scanning camera is employed to take pictures of
7 groups of at least some of the patterns which are applied
8 during successive cycles of the paster, and such pictures
9 are displayed and compared with a reference image of
10 satisfactory patterns and preferably also with additional
11 reference images. The results of comparison are relied
12 upon for the making of corrections, e.g., by changing
13 the operation of the paster and/or by changing the direction
14 of advancement of the web between the paster and the
15 camera.